Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph **[0037]** with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0037] Thereafter, it is determined whether the second route D2 selected as a result of the searching in step S15 is different from the ~~second~~ first route D1 (step S16). If they are not different from each other (that is, if the answer is no), that is, if only a route that is the same as the first route D1 is found in the searching, the route D1 (D2) selected via the searching is recommended (step S18). However, if a different route is selected (that is, if the answer to step S16 is yes), the lengths of the routes D1 and D2 are compared to determine whether the length of the second route D2 is greater than the length of the first route D1 times K (step S17). If the length of the second route D2 is greater than the length of the first route D1 times K (that is, if the answer is yes), the route D1 selected via the searching is recommended (step S18). However, if it is determined that the length of the second route D2 is smaller than the length of the first route D1 times K, the second route D2 is recommended (step S19).